

Students need to know about money and budgeting, and they need to know before they get out on their own in the real world. However, many students don't have the opportunity to learn about the importance of budgeting and being smart with their money. Only a portion of students get jobs while they are in high school and even those that do don't usually have to worry about budgeting for bills or necessities. If all students could learn about budgeting in the classroom, they could gain valuable knowledge that they wouldn't otherwise learn on their own. Additionally, by taking the classes, students can better be prepared to avoid making costly mistakes that could land them with major money problems like massive debt. Often when students take their first steps to total independence after high school, they don't really think about the ramifications of the financial decisions they are making, which often do lead to debt. If they already knew about budgeting and being smart and frugal with their money, these students would be armed with the knowledge to be better decision makers when it comes to their money that will help them avoid many pitfalls that so many already have made. Thus, teaching students about the importance of budgeting their money would be helpful to all students and make them smarter consumers later on in life.